big player—whose name I don't want to take on the floor of the House—commands 50 per cent of the buying market. So, Sir, I have taken the position, and I want to assure the hon. Member that the only way to bring about transparency in prices is to go to e-auction. We must bring electronic auction. We are doing electronic auction in tea; we are doing electronic auction in cardamom, and it is my hope, in the next one year, we will be able to bring about electronic auction in tobacco as well. Only through electronic auction, will we be able to break the stranglehold of a few buyers who are not giving the full benefits of a better price to tobacco farmers.

Employment generation under new economic reforms

*306. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of employment opportunities generated under the new economic reforms, during the current financial year;

(b) the target of employment opportunities expected to be generated during the next financial year; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government on the achievements of the targets fixed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Employment generation under new economic reforms

Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial National Sample Surveys carried out by the National Sample Survey Organisation. Last such survey for which results have been published relates to the year 2004-05. As per these surveys, the employment, as per usual status approach which was of the order of 397 million in 1999-2000 has gone up to 459 million in 2004-05. On an average, therefore, around 12.4 million persons were provided employment per year during the period 2000-05.

Tenth Plan envisaged creation of around 50 million employment opportunities; 30 million through normal growth process and 20 million

through special employment generation schemes. Therefore, on an average, 10 million employment opportunities were envisaged per year.

श्री अबू आसिम आज़मी: चेयरमैन सर, मैं आपके माध्यम से मिनिस्टर साहब का ध्यान ऐसोसिएटिड चैम्बर ऑफ कॉमर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री की तरफ से हाल ही में मिली मालूमात की तरफ दिलाना चाहता हूं कि आरगेनाइज्ड सैक्टर में नौकरियां घटी हैं, घरेलू उत्पाद में 5.3% की बढ़ोतरी हुई है, जबकि रोजगार 5.14% घटा है। मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि इसकी वजूहात क्या हैं? सर, बहुत सारी इंटरनेशनल कम्पनीज़ मुल्क में आ गई हैं, जिनसे लोगों को रोजगार तो मिला है, इसके बावजूद भी नेशनल सैम्पल सर्वे के मुताबिक तालीमयाफ्ता नौजवानों की रोजगार में कुछ ज्यादती हुई है। मैं सरकार से जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या सरकार ने तालीमयाफ्ता नौजवानों को रोजगार मुहैया कराने के लिए कुछ मजबूत स्कीम तैयार की है या नहीं?

†**شری ابو عاصم اعظمی :** چیئرمین سر، میں آپ کے مادھیم سے منسٹر صاحب کا دھیان ایسوسی ایٹڈ چیمبر آف کامرس اینڈ انڈسٹری کی طرف سے حال ہی میں ملی معلومات کی طرف دلانا چاہتا ہوں کہ ارگنائزڈ سیکٹر میں نوکریاں گھٹی ہیں، گھریلو اتپاد میں 5.3% کی بڑھوتری ہوئی ہے، جبکہ روزگار 5.14% گھٹا ہے۔ میں جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ اس کی وجوہات کیا ہیں؟ سر، بہت ساری انٹرنیشنل کمپنیز ملک میں آگئی ہیں، جن سے لوگوں کو روزگار تو ملا ہے، اس کے باوجود نیشنل سیمپل سروے کے مطابق تعلیم یافتہ نوجوانوں کی روزگار میں کچھ زیادتی ہوئی ہے۔ میں سرکار سے جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ کیا سرکار نے تعلیم یافتہ نوجوانوں کو روزگار مہیا کرانے کے لئے کچھ مضبوط اسکیم تیار کی ہے یا نہیں؟

SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Mr. Chairman, Sir, we have launched certain schemes to upgrade the skills of our unskilled labour so that our boys have better opportunities to get employment within the country and abroad. 100 I.T.Is. ...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Girls also. ...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: It includes. ...(*Interruptions*)... It includes all young people and especially we are having technical schools for girls as well. And for the kind information of the hon. Members, I would like to submit that girls are doing much better in their studies than boys because

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they are concentrating on their studies. ...(*Interruptions*)... The hon. Member has specifically asked this question. ...(*Interruptions*)... You go to Delhi University or you go to any other university, you will find much more girls coming up. ...(*Interruptions*)...

AN HON. MEMBER: This is also discrimination. ...(*Interruptions*)...

DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI: Certain parliamentarians also. ...(*Interruptions*)...

SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: We have already upgraded 100 I.T.Is. in the country. In the current year we have upgraded another 100 I.T.Is. We have a scheme to upgrade another 300 I.T.Is. We have a scheme to upgrade 300 I.T.Is. ...(*Interruptions*)... We have a scheme to upgrade 100 I.T.Is. every year in order to bring them to the national level, maybe, to the international level so that they have straight opportunity to get into job. ...(*Interruptions*)...

श्री अबू आसिम आज़मी: सर, मंत्री जी से मेरा दूसरा सप्लीमेंटरी क्वेश्चन यह है कि क्या इम्पलॉएमेंट एक्सचेंज में बेरोज़गारों का पंजीकरण होता है? यदि हां, तो पंजीकृत लोगों की संख्या क्या है? यह भी स्पष्ट नहीं है कि शिक्षित और अशिक्षित बेरोज़गारों की संख्या क्या है? मैं उनसे यह भी जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या सरकार उत्तर प्रदेश की तरफ से बेरोज़गारों को बेरोज़गारी भत्ता देने की ओर कुछ ध्यान दे रही है या नहीं? ...(व्यवधान)... यह जवाब उत्तर प्रदेश की तरफ से दिया जा रहा है।

†[**شری ابو عاصم اعظمی** : سر، منتری جی سے میرا دوسرا سپلیمینٹ کوئشچن یہ ہے کہ کیا ایمپلائمنٹ ایکسچینج میں بےروزگاروں کا پنجیکرن ہوتا ہے؟ اگر ہاں، تو پنجیکرت لوگوں کی تعداد کیا ہے؟ یہ بھی اسپشٹ نہیں ہے کہ تعلیم یافتہ اور

غیر تعلیم یافتہ بےروزگاروں کی تعداد کیا ہے؟ میں ان سے یہ بھی جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ کیا سرکار اتر پردیش کی طرف سے بےروزگاروں کو بےروزگاری بھتہ دینے کی اور کچھ دھیان دے رہی ہے یا نہیں؟ ...مداخلت... یہ جواب اتر پردیش کی طرف سے دیا جا رہا ہے۔]

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SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Sir, it is a very large question. ...*(Interruptions)*... Under various schemes we are trying to provide employment especially under the Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme in the rural areas in 200 districts in the country. We are providing employment to the rural poor so that in no household we have a problem of unemployed person. Under this scheme, which we are going to extend to other districts in the country, each person in each household in the 200 districts will be able to earn about Rs. 5000 to Rs. 6000 additionally per annum which will help our unemployed people in the country.

श्री अबू आसिम आज़मी: इम्प्लॉएमेंट एक्सचेंज में जो पंजीकरण हुआ है, उसकी तादाद कितनी है?

شری ابو عاصم اعظمی : ایمپلائمنٹ ایکسچینج میں جو پنجیکرن ہوا ہے، اس کی تعداد کتنی ہے؟ †

SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Sir, I will provide the figure to the hon. Member. But I should admit that what is happening in the Employment Exchanges today needs a review. I will do that because people are registering in Employment Exchanges under the scheme. But the way they are to be recruited, that is not happening. We are reviewing the whole scheme.

SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I would like to inform the hon. Minister that in rural areas, as he has rightly said, there is an employment scheme for those people who stay in the rural areas. I would like to know whether the Government is proposing to have such a scheme for urban areas also. That is first part of my question. The second part of question is this. He has mentioned in the reply that Special Employment Generation Schemes are existing today. I would like to know which those schemes are, and whether the alternative form of getting employment is self-employment, and, whether the Government is proposing to do something of this sort.

SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Sir, the very fact that we are trying to provide skills to the people basically in the first place, it is to give them self-employment. And again we are providing skills and they can also get employment elsewhere. Sir, Bharat Nirman Yojana is a major programme under the Government of India's schemes to provide employment to the

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people in the rural areas. Sampooran Grameen Rozgar Yojana, Gramin Rozgar Yojana, Swarjanayanti Yojana, Prime Minister Rozgar Yojana, Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, etc. are the various schemes that we have and through which we are providing employment to the rural people.

SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Sir, the figure given by the hon. Minister regarding employment generation, during this period, as per usual status, it comes to around 3 per cent, per year, on a simple average in a period of five years. If it had been on the current daily status, what would have been the figure? I think, it would have been altogether a different picture. Thirdly, if weighed with the GDP growth rate, the employment generation is thoroughly disproportionate. And, the manner in which the survey is taken, I mean, the basis of survey, most of this employment is being generated in the informal sector. That is not a full employment throughout the year. This is the reality of the employment scenario. In that situation, my request to the hon. Minister is that the situation warrants an immediate comprehensive legislation for the unorganized sector workers. So, my question is: When are you going to do it? You should have more ...*(Interruptions)*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please finish your question. There is no need of any speech.

SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Sir, we are really concerned about the unorganized sector. There has been a lot of discussion on this issue in both the Houses of Parliament. Maybe, in the Budget Session we will be able to bring the legislation. It is before the Cabinet at present. As far as employment is concerned, our target was to provide one crore jobs to the people every year. We have crossed that target. One crore twenty lakh people have been provided with employment. In the coming Five Year Plan, our target will be higher.

SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Sir, it is disproportionate...*(Interruptions)* to GDP growth.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No; no, nothing will go on record. ...*(Interruptions)* Please sit down. ...*(Interruptions)* Question No. 307

*307. *[The questioner(s) (Shri Santosh Bagrodia and Shri Kalraj Mishra) were absent. For answer vide page 34.]*

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question No. 308.